

POLICE CONDUCT OVERSIGHT COMMISSION

June 9, 2015

Policy and Procedure Committee

Chair Report

Chair Brown and Commissioners:

The Policy and Procedure Committee met on May 26th. All committee members were present as well as OPCR's Ryan Patrick.

Complete agenda and meeting minutes are available on the committee website:

<http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/civilrights/conductcomm/WCMS1P-122238>

Agenda Items Discussed:

Ongoing Business

Research and Study Status Updates/ Pending Information Requests

- Mr. Patrick addressed the Committee. The following are the main points of the discussion:

- Investigatory study was presented to the Minneapolis City Council on May 20, 2015.
- There is a meeting scheduled for June 3, 2015 with Deputy Chief Glampe.
- The status of the Coaching Study status has not changed.
- Have spoken with Committee Clerk Schuster regarding adding webpages for each study modeled after the other studies available.
- There are no pending information requests at this time.

Discussion – Cases Previously Referred

- Discussion was focused in the following areas:

- Use of Chemical Agents – Commissioner Singleton suggested a possible Research and Study on chemical irritant usage, such as protocols for type of agent (large or large canisters), and after-action procedures and medical care.
- Additional suggestions included looking at the policies of other departments such as Metro Transit Police.
- An invitation was placed with the MPD Training Unit for a presentation on chemical agents.
 - Response –An MPD instructor from the Training Unit will present to the P&P committee on June 22, 2015. The presentation will be on different types of chemical agents used by MPD, how officers are trained to use different types of chemical agents, and clarification on the post exposure requirements.

Investigative Detention Reporting

- Commissioner Singleton addressed the Committee:

- Have moved to finalize the report, which was presented to the Public Safety City Council meeting on May 20, 2015.
- City Council President Johnson had questions and concerns with regard to adding time to an officer's workday.

- City Council Member Gordon moved with Council Member Yang to follow-up with the MPD on how they are receiving and implementing recommendations.

Cultural Awareness Training

- Mr. Patrick and I met with Deputy Chief Glampe on June 3rd to discuss the current state of Cultural Awareness Training within the MPD and ideas for new training as well as the inclusion of new topics into existing training. We will meet with Commander Case in early July to talk specifically on how to move forward and the priorities of specific topics.

Spitting and Lurking Ordinances

-Commissioner Westphal addresses the Committee:

Public Safety, Civil Rights & Emergency Management Committee recommended to the City Council a repeal of the Spitting and Lurking ordinances.

- Spitting, Depositing Tobacco Ordinance: Passage of Ordinance amending Title 11, Chapter 213 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Health and Sanitation: In General, repealing Section 213.30 relating to spitting; depositing tobacco.
- Lurking Ordinance: Passage of Ordinance amending Title 15, Chapter 385 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Offenses--Miscellaneous: In General, repealing Section 385.80 relating to lurking.
- Discussion of PCOC letter of support and recommendation, although due to timing, no action was taken.
- Update - Both measures were adopted by the City Council on June 5th.

New Business

Discussion of Cases referred by Commission

- No new cases referred to the committee from the May PCOC meeting.
 - Added use of Chemical Agents to the tracking list under Use of Force to better recognize these incidents
 - Discussed the issue of complainant follow-up: why this is occurring and how to better reach out to the complainants.

Moving Forward

- Next scheduled meeting is June 23rd
 - The agenda will include status updates of existing programs of research and study, ongoing information requests, and further discussion of previously referred cases;
 - New business will be determined based on referrals from Commission meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

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